IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

CHRISTINA M. PASANEN, : CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:17-CV-1164

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Plaintiff : (Chief Judge Conner)

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NANCY A. BERRYHILL,¹

v.

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Defendant

ORDER

AND NOW, this 28th day of August, 2018, upon consideration of the report (Doc. 12) of Magistrate Judge Joseph F. Saporito, Jr., recommending that the court vacate the decision of the administrative law judge denying the application of Christina M. Pasanen ("Pasanen") for a period of disability, disability insurance benefits, and supplemental security income, and remand this matter for further proceedings, and it appearing that neither Pasanen nor the Commissioner of Social Security ("Commissioner") object to the report, see FED. R. CIV. P. 72(b)(2), and that the Commissioner expressly waived the opportunity to do so, (see Doc. 13), and the court noting that failure to timely object to a magistrate judge's conclusions "may

¹ Due to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act, 5 U.S.C. § 3345 *et seq.*, former acting Commissioner of Social Security Nancy A. Berryhill is currently presiding as the Deputy Commissioner for Operations of the Social Security Administration. For consistency purposes, however, we continue to refer to Ms. Berryhill as "the Commissioner.

result in forfeiture of *de novo* review at the district court level," Nara v. Frank, 488 F.3d 187, 194 (3d Cir. 2007) (citing Henderson v. Carlson, 812 F.2d 874, 878-79 (3d Cir. 1987)), but that, as a matter of good practice, a district court should "afford some level of review to dispositive legal issues raised by the report," Henderson, 812 F.2d at 878; see also Taylor v. Comm'r of Soc. Sec., 83 F. Supp. 3d 625, 626 (M.D. Pa. 2015) (citing Univac Dental Co. v. Dentsply Int'l, Inc., 702 F. Supp. 2d 465, 469 (M.D. Pa. 2010)), in order to "satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record," FED. R. CIV. P. 72(b), advisory committee notes, and, following review of the record, the court being in agreement with Judge Saporito's recommendation, and concluding that there is no clear error on the face of the record, it is hereby ORDERED that:

- 1. The report (Doc. 12) of Magistrate Judge Saporito is ADOPTED.
- 2. The Clerk of Court shall enter judgment in favor of plaintiff Christina M. Pasanen, and against the Commissioner of Social Security ("Commissioner") as set forth in the following paragraph.
- 3. The Commissioner's decision is VACATED and this matter is REMANDED to the Commissioner with instructions to conduct a new administrative hearing, develop the record fully, and evaluate the evidence appropriately in accordance with this order and the report (Doc. 12) of Magistrate Judge Saporito.
- 4. The Clerk of Court is directed to CLOSE this case.

/S/ CHRISTOPHER C. CONNER Christopher C. Conner, Chief Judge United States District Court Middle District of Pennsylvania